Amendments to the Claims

The following list of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

- 1. (Currently amended) A method of modulating differentiation of <u>primary</u> oligodendrocytes comprising reducing exposure of oligodendrocytes and precursors thereof to osteopontin.
- 2. -6. (Canceled)
- 3. (Currently amended) A method of modulating differentiation of <u>primary</u> oligodendrocytes, according to Claim 1, further comprising increasing exposure of oligodendrocyte precursor cells thereof at a remyelination site to osteopontin to enhance oligodendrocyte precursor number at said site, and then reducing exposure, according to Claim 1, of said oligodendrocyte precursor cells to osteopontin thereby enhancing differentiation into oligodendrocytes, wherein said oligodendrocytes enhance remyelination at said remyelination site.
- 4. (Canceled)
- 5. (Canceled)
- (Original) The method of claim 7, further comprising exposing cells remote from said site to
 osteopontin, wherein osteopontin is a chemoattractant and causes migration of responsive
 cells to said site.
- 7. (Original) The method of claim 10, wherein said osteopontin is secreted by astrocytes.
- 8. -17. (Canceled)